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COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD

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Chapter 136-130 WAC  
REGIONAL PRIORITIZATION OF RAP PROJECTS

WAC 136-130-050 Project prioritization in northeast region (NER).

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Category 1 - Ten percent for bridge projects where RATA funds are used as a match for federal bridge funds;
Category 2 - Thirty percent for reconstruction of rural collectors and arterials;
Category 3 - Thirty percent for resurfacing, restoration, rehabilitation (3R) type projects on rural collectors and arterials; and
Category 4 - Thirty percent for resurfacing and restoration (2R) type projects on rural collectors and arterials.

In the event that no projects or an insufficient number of projects are submitted in any of the above categories to utilize the RATA funds set aside for the category, all remaining funds in that category or categories shall be divided among the remaining categories as the county road administration board deems appropriate. The intent is to divide all available funds into categories having a sufficient number of submitted projects to fully utilize the funds available at each allocation during the biennium.

Bridge projects may be submitted requesting RATA funds under one of the following conditions:

(1) Bridges must be approved for federal bridge funding and RATA funds shall be used only as a match for such federal funding. Bridges will be ranked for RATA funding using the WSDOT priority list and may be added to the NER Category 1 priority array at any time during the biennium upon approval of the bridge for federal bridge funding.

(2) A stand-alone bridge project may be submitted as an ordinary reconstruction or 3R RAP project provided that its priority rating has been computed by the bridge rating method in the NER RAP rating procedures. Such projects shall not be considered for funding from the bridge reserve described above.

(3) A RAP project may include a bridge when the cost of the bridge does not exceed twenty percent of the total project cost.

NER RAP rating points for reconstruction projects, 3R projects or nonfederal bridge projects shall be assigned on the basis of one hundred points for a condition rating and fifty points for a service rating. The priority rating equals the sum of two and one half times the product of the service rating to the 1.25 power and the common logarithm of the number obtained by dividing one hundred by the condition rating. A total of ten points representing local significance may be added to one project included in each county's biennial combined bridge, 3R and reconstruction submittal. A total of up to ten points representing missing links definition may also be added to one project included in each county's biennial combined bridge, 3R and reconstruction submittal.

NER RAP rating points for 2R projects shall be assigned on the basis of five points for traffic volume, five points for traffic accidents, fifty points for structure, ten points for geometry, and fifteen points for roadside safety. A total of fifteen points representing local significance may be added to one 2R project included in each county's biennial submittal.

Prioritization of NER projects shall be on the basis of total NER RAP rating points shown on the appropriate project worksheet and the prospectus form of the project application.

Chapter 136-161 WAC  
PROJECT SUBMITTAL, SELECTION AND INITIAL ALLOCATION OF RATA FUNDS TO PROJECTS

WAC 136-161-080 Limitations on allocations of RATA funds to counties.

WAC 136-161-080 Limitations on allocations of RATA funds to counties. For any project program period, no county shall receive a RATA fund allocation greater than the following maximum project RATA contribution, or percentage of the forecasted regional apportionment amount:

(1) PSR: No maximum project RATA contribution; 40% limit on percentage of the forecasted regional apportionment amount;

(2) NWR: No maximum project RATA contribution; twenty percent limit on percentage of the forecasted regional apportionment amount;

(3) NER: No maximum project RATA contribution; maximum RATA contribution to each county for 2R projects is seven hundred fifty thousand dollars; twelve and one-half percent limit on percentage of the forecasted regional apportionment amount;


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(4) SWR: No maximum project RATA contribution; fifteen percent limit on percentage of the forecasted regional apportionment amount;

(5) SER: No maximum project RATA contribution; percentage varies by county as follows:

(a) Asotin County        ten percent
(b) Benton County        fourteen percent
(c) Columbia County      eleven percent
(d) Franklin County      thirteen percent
(e) Garfield County      ten percent
(f) Kittitas County      thirteen percent
(g) Klickitat County     fourteen percent
(h) Walla Walla County   fourteen percent
(i) Yakima County        twenty percent